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Posts strikers face contempt of court charge

By AARON SITTNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Twenty-two leaders of the 5,000 striking Communications Ministry engineers face contempt of court charges today. The 22 left court hearing yesterday before it was completed.

Television screens remained dark for a second consecutive day. Radio transmissions were still curtailed in certain parts of the country and requests for telephone and teleprinter repairs remained unanswered.

Yesterday's court incident came towards the end of the hearings in the Tel Aviv District Labour Court. On Tuesday Chief Judge Manahem Harniv issued a temporary order enjoining 22 leaders of the strikers' council from continuing their work. The order also directed them to call their members, back to normal work.

When they appeared in court yesterday afternoon, they heard Tel Aviv District Attorney Itamar Pipel ask Judge Harniv to extend the temporary order, since the public welfare was being harmed.

The strikers' attorney, Mr. Yehuda Karmi, countered with a motion that the request be rejected since it was not accompanied by documentary evidence.

Judge Harniv rejected the lawyer's argument, and refused to cancel his temporary order. Mr. Pipel then asked to have the 22 strike leaders fined for contempt of court for violating Tuesday's temporary order — whereupon the 22 men and their sympathizers left the courtroom.

The judge then directed that summonses be issued to the men at their homes. The hearing on the contempt motion is scheduled for this afternoon.

MEIR REPORTED INTERVENING STRIKE MAY CUT AIR LINKS TODAY

By GEORGE LEONOF, Jerusalem Post Aviation Correspondent

LOD AIRPORT — Prime Minister Golda Meir was planning to make a last-minute appeal to civil aviation workers to call off a strike that would sever Israel's air links with the rest of the world at six o'clock this morning.

The airport director, Shmuel Kislev, told "Itim" he had learned of Mrs. Meir's intention from a "reliable source" in the Transport Ministry. Mr. Kislev said this before going into a meeting shortly before midnight with the workers committee. The meeting came at his initiative, but he told "Itim" he had no new proposals to offer.

Transport Minister Shimon Peres called on the workers late last night to call off their strike and start negotiations in the morning.

The general strike was called by the 1,000-member Civil Aviation Workers Union and, if carried out, will halt all regular scheduled domestic civil aviation as well as foreign flights.

Six outgoing flights of TWA, Sabena and Air France were moved up to between 5 and 6 a.m. There will be no El Al flights at all if the strike is on, but El Al requested all passengers with reservations to phone the airline at 5 a.m.

The situation was discussed at yesterday's weekly Cabinet meeting in Jerusalem, and served as the most protracted item on the agenda, but there was no official information of how the discussion went.

SAPIR OPPOSES

"Itim's" Lod Airport correspondent said he learned that at a meeting of Ministers dealing with salary questions, Transport Minister Shimon Peres apparently favoured meeting the workers part of the way, but was vigorously opposed by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir.

The Civil Aviation Workers Committee, announcing the decision to strike at a press conference in Lod Airport early yesterday morning, said the stoppage would be total with few exceptions. These include flights for the Netivei Neft Company, for security or army purposes, flights bringing immigrants and cases of emergency.

Six outgoing flights of the strike would continue until all its demands were met, and charged the Government with deliberate procrastination in negotiating the workers' claims.

The strike was not approved by the Histadrut.

The chairman of the Committee, Nissim Batist, said the relevant international bodies have already been informed of the general civil aviation strike, as well as the Ministry of Transport and the management of Lod Airport and the Civil Aviation Organization.

Tracing the events that led to the decision to paralyze Israel's airfields, Mr. Batist recalled that a month ago, a joint appeal by Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon and Yaacov Nitzan, Civil Service Commissioner, prevented declaration of a general strike several hours before it was to have been made. It was then stated that a 12-man ad hoc committee would be formed, comprising six government representatives and six representatives of the Histadrut, the Lod Airport workers and the Civil Aviation Workers Committee. This committee was to hammer out an agreement on the workers' demands for an "aviation" increment ranging from 12.100 to 12.150 monthly.

This committee met three times, he continued, and subsequently conducted a seven-hour tour of Lod Airport installations, following which a further meeting was fixed at the Histadrut Executive. Not a single government representative turned up for the meeting, and the committee chairman, Yehoshua Woschina, set another date for it. This time only two government representatives arrived, whereupon Mr. Woschina declared the committee dissolved.

"Because of their contemptuous attitude towards the negotiations, we place full responsibility for our decision to strike on the government representatives on the committee," Mr. Batist declared. He added that the strikers, in addition to their original demands, are now insisting that their conditions be brought up to those enjoyed by El Al personnel and workers of the Israel Aviation Industry. "We have come to the conclusion that, for us, there is no alternative to a general civil aviation strike," he added.

The strike will not end, he emphasized, until all the committee's demands have been met. The layoff has been endorsed by the Lod Workers Council and the Civil Service Union. "The Labour Ministry had been informed a month ago of our dispute with the Ministry of Transport," Mr. Batist told newsmen. "We will not return to work until authorized government representatives sign an agreement with us granting our demands in full. No other means will compel us to return to normal operations. Should a court order be served summoning us back to work, we will meet to decide our next step."

'Rogers to keep post'

NEW JOB FRONT OPENS West Bankers get year's visa to Jordan

By SAM LIPSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON — William Rogers will stay on as Secretary of State in the new Nixon Administration, authoritative State Department and foreign diplomatic sources said yesterday.

Mr. Rogers is reported to have asked President Nixon if he could retain his Cabinet post at least through 1973. After New York's Nelson Rockefeller and former Treasury Secretary John Connally both ruled out appointments with the second-term administration, Mr. Rogers was assured of reappointment, the sources said.

One ambassador of a close American ally in Asia told The Jerusalem Post he understood that Elliot Richardson had also sought the State Department post from President Nixon. But because of Mr. Rogers' wish, Mr. Richardson had been moved from Health, Education and Welfare to run the Pentagon.

According to State Department sources, Mr. Rogers has told his associates that he plans to accompany President Nixon to Europe next February when a major second-term round of "det diplomacy" will be undertaken by Mr. Nixon.

The first series of appointments to the new Nixon Cabinet indicate that Mr. Nixon plans a reshuffle within his bureaucratic family perhaps even more than the introduction of new faces. The first three appointments, Elliot Richardson, Caspar Weinberger, and Roy Ash, were three veteran administration officials going to new assignments.

Yesterday's appointment of Peter Brennan, a New York Union leader, to become Secretary of Labour is, however, an innovation. Union leaders in the Labour post have been rare. But the Brennan appointment comes after a swing away from the Democrats by union members during the presidential election and the "neutrality" stance adopted by George Meany, president of the AFL-CIO. Meany was unhappy with the former Secretary of Labour, James Hodgson.

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The Arab states. The highlight of this policy until now was the annual summer visits scheme, under which over 150,000 Arabs from neighbouring countries spent this summer here with relatives. Visitors from the Arab countries will not be affected by the new travel arrangements.

Primarily, the new move will further the freedom of movement of the Arabs in the administered territories and extend their cultural, social and economic links with Jordan and other Arab states. Politically, the new measure is unlikely to have any effect on the present situation. But the new relaxation will increase ties between the local Arab population and Jordan, thus strengthening Jordan in its opposition to the anti-Amman Arab states.

The new situation may lead to terrorist attempts to establish contact with local Arab circles, but in view of the anti-terrorist security measures being adopted by both Israel and Jordan, these attempts are unlikely to be successful.

Every Arab resident of the West (Continued on page 4, col. 4)

Dayan: Arab tensions may heat up border

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan warned last night that "the smell of gunpowder" wafting into Israel from neighbouring Arab states might mean resumption of fighting. There was a danger of renewed fire "that would ruin any chances of a settlement," Mr. Dayan told Defence Ministry staff at the Mann Auditorium in Tel Aviv. The assembly marked the 25th anniversary of the U.N. decision to partition Palestine and establish a Jewish State.

The Arab leadership is frustrated at its failure to force Israel to withdraw from the areas, Mr. Dayan said. A further cause of their frustration is the present tendency of the U.S. and the Soviet Union to negotiate all areas of disagreement — including the Middle East — and to avoid confrontation.

This situation might have been expected to dispel the Arabs' enthusiasm for war, Mr. Dayan said. But apparently internal tensions — especially in Egypt — are causing the Arab leaders to lose their balance and might push them into heating up the arena — through military or through political action (in an attempt to force a solution on Israel).

However, Mr. Dayan reassured his audience, there is no need to be concerned about Israel's security if Egypt does start another war.

"If the Egyptians bring about a renewal of fire on the Suez Canal, it won't be because we didn't want negotiations with them, but because they're unwilling to have any kind of arrangement with us that is less than complete withdrawal to the previous borders."

Turning to the northern front, the Defence Minister said Syria was a "blank wall." Israel cannot negotiate with Damascus because it doesn't recognize Israel's existence. In line with this attitude, Syrian gives full backing to acts of terror against Israel.

Syria, Lebanon and the terrorists have sustained heavy blows since the Munich massacre of 11 Israeli sportsmen. As a result of Israeli

Israel ready to negotiate without preconditions — Tekoah

UNITED NATIONS (INA). — Israel is ready to negotiate peace without any preconditions, and is prepared to engage in proximity talks to reopen the Suez Canal, Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah told the General Assembly yesterday on the first day of its Middle East debate.

Earlier, Egypt Ambassador Foreign Minister Mohammed el-Zayyat called on the U.N. to consider economic and military sanctions, and even suspension or expulsion of Israel from the world body, if it continues to ignore peace efforts in the Middle East.

Mr. Tekoah told the Assembly that the main obstacle to peace in the Middle East is "the Arab governments' view that there might be no need for them to work out

an agreement with Israel, that it might be possible to impose on Israel a solution in accordance with Arab terms. He charged that "thus far the Arab states and in particular Egypt, have adamantly followed this course."

Tekoah said that "pressure and imposition are hardly the way to reach a settlement with Israel — a people defending its life knows how and is ready to withstand pressure."

Tekoah accused Egypt of being "the principal supporter of Arab terrorism" and, like the Libyan regime, "it is doing all it can to prevent peace." The only way that can lead to peace between the parties is "a dialogue between them. All other means have been tried already and have failed," Tekoah said.

He told the U.N.: "The government of Israel is ready to negotiate peace without any preconditions, in accordance with the principles expressed in its official statements, including the statement in this year's general debate. The government of Israel is prepared to engage in proximity talks on an agreement to reopen the Suez Canal, as proposed to it."

Dr. Zayyat told the U.N. that

the continuous flow of the most sophisticated and modern offensive weapons" to Israel "is harming all prospects for peace in the Middle East."

Zayyat declared that the essence of the crisis remains the plight of the Arab people of Palestine who are now either living under Israeli military occupation or refugees away from their homeland.

Jerusalem Post Correspondent Sam Lipksi adds:

The U.S. will in no way support any attempts by the U.N. to impose sanctions on Israel should such a resolution be adopted during the current Middle East debate.

It was learned that the U.S. view was conveyed to Avner Eban, minister at the Israel Embassy, by Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco during a meeting at the State Department yesterday.

The U.S. believes the current debate in the United Nations to be a wasteful and detrimental diversion from the movement towards negotiation in the Middle East, diplomatic sources said. Any attempt to impose sanctions which did not have the support of Washington would be ineffective, they added.

Tension up in Eire over moves on I.R.A.

DUBLIN. — Heavy police and army reinforcements moved into the streets of Dublin yesterday to confront a mass protest by Irish Republican Army supporters. Justice Minister Desmond O'Malley said the country faced anarchy.

"The duty of the government is clear," O'Malley told Parliament. "It is to strengthen the existing law if it is inadequate to protect the community against those dedicated to the overthrow of the state by force."

As he spoke, police standing two abreast ringed the building to block demonstrators, screaming for O'Malley's resignation, from entering. Across the city hundreds of other protesters began arriving by car and bus for a mass demonstration organized by the I.R.A. political wing, the Sinn Fein.

Prime Minister Jack Lynch last night appeared heading for defeat in a bid for new powers to crush the I.R.A., as opposition parties in Parliament decided to vote against him.

Mr. Lynch's ruling Fianna Fail has a precarious majority of one in the 144-seat Dail, and at least three independent members of the party, together with the opposition Fine Gael and Labour deputies, will almost certainly, oppose the government.

The Dail was meeting last night to discuss the new Bill ending courts to jail I.R.A. suspects if senior police officer swears on oath that he believes them to be members of the banned organization.

THE VERED AFFAIR State should avoid jobs abroad, Gvati says

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Agriculture Minister Haim Gvati said yesterday that State corporations should avoid taking contracting jobs abroad. He spoke in the Knesset Finance Committee.

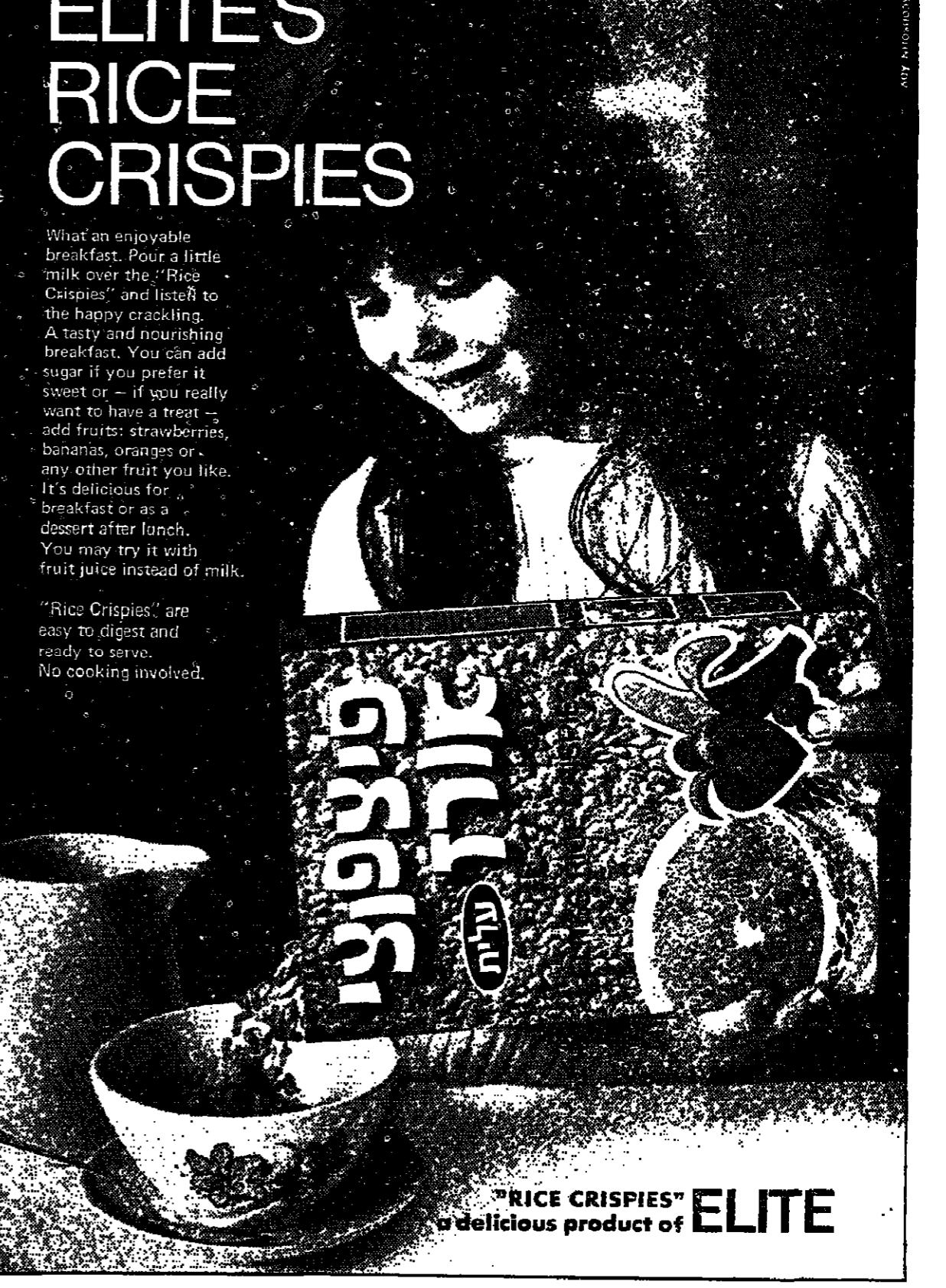
Summing up the discussion on Vered, the controversial Water Resources Development Corporation which went over IL80m. in the red, the Minister said that when contracting corporations earn profits in developing countries, they are accused of exploitation. But when they incur deficits, they are blamed as well.

State Comptroller Dr. Yitzhak Neibenzahl, who also summed up, said the Finance Committee had not uncovered any fundamental moral flaws in Vered's management. He took issue with the views of Vered's former board chairman, Mr. Zvi Tsur, and said that decision-taking

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UNIS (UPI). — A parcel exploded in a postal sorting room yesterday and injured three workers. Police said the package was mailed within Tunisia.

An investigation is being made, the police added.

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Goren to kindle 1st Hanukka light at Wall tonight

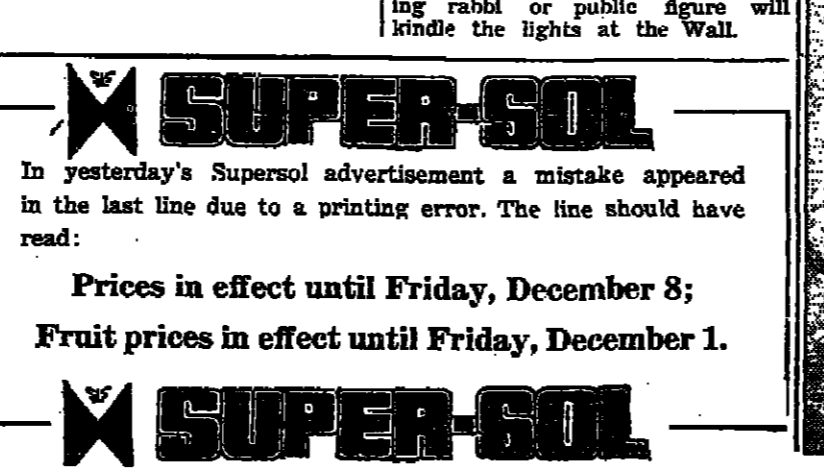
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first Hanukka light will be kindled at the Western Wall tonight by Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren — and in homes and synagogues throughout the country as the eight-day festival is ushered in.

The ceremony at the Wall is scheduled for 1.30 p.m. with the Chief Rabbi lighting an oil menorah, and soldiers on the building overlooking the Wall plaza lighting a giant gas-fired candelabrum.

Each night of the festival a leading rabbi or public figure will kindle the lights at the Wall.

Prices in effect until Friday, December 8;
Fruit prices in effect until Friday, December 1.





HILLEL WARNS KNESSET: Don't whip up feelings over synagogues vandalism in Hebron

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel urged the Knesset yesterday not to draw conclusions about the alleged Tora-desecration in Hebron before the police and their investigation.

Replying to motions for the agenda by Gahal and the National Religious Party, the Minister said he had been convinced by the response of Hebron's city fathers that they were genuinely sorry and regretted the incident. There was no argument with the Hebronites, he added.

The motions were moved to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

Dayan waives debate in Knesset on Syria

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday declined to discuss at a public Knesset session the situation along the Syrian cease-fire lines.

He persuaded the House to strike off its agenda a Gahal motion for a debate. He said he would have nothing to add to previous reports, if the motion were referred to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee — as it finally was.

Mr. Dayan said that the Committee was fully briefed two days earlier by Chief of Staff David Eliazar and Chief of Intelligence Eliahu Zela. Gahal's Committee members had sought no additional information at the time — and nothing had changed in the north.

Prof. Yitzhak Klinghoffer, who presented the Gahal motion, said that the Syrians did not appear to be giving the Arab terrorists would be to their own detriment. The terrorists' activities were an infringement of the cease-fire by Syria.

Last week's blows against the Syrians were intended to make them aware of their error, he said. However, the fact that the Army did not react to Saturday's shelling could

I.L.P. seen shelving civil marriage issue

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Independent Liberal Party plunged into the civil marriage issue at the opening session of its ninth national convention, held at the Habimah Theatre Hall here yesterday.

I.L.P. Knesset whip Gideon Hauser presented his party's resolution (to be voted on tonight) urging the convention to give Chief Rabbi Goren a year to settle cases of couples so far refused marriage by the Rabbinate. He would accordingly not press the Knesset to deal with his civil marriage bill for the moment.

Mr. Hauser, regarded by many as a likely rival of Tourism Minister Moshe Kol for the leadership of the Party, was making a gesture of some importance towards Mr. Kol. The Minister is understandably anxious to avoid the Cabinet crisis that such a bill would cause.

The resolution's rider held that "the I.L.P. Knesset faction will watch the rabbinical courts' handling of personal status cases closely and then decide on its further steps concerning the bill."

Mr. Hauser said "We cannot shut our ears to the Chief Rabbi's appeal." The I.L.P. should show special consideration for Rabbi Goren, now under siege from extremist fanatics, he said.

STATUS QUO

Mr. Kol, who preceded Mr. Hauser at the opening session, denied (Labour Party) charges that his party was contemplating breaking the coalition agreement on religious issues. "If there have been any deviation from religious status quo," he said, they were in favour of the orthodox religious trends.

"Those unfortunate unable to wed by a cruel interpretation of the halacha will not be denied their elementary civil rights," the Minister declared. He believed the new Chief Rabbinate could contribute to heightening national unity if it produced halachic solutions for the problems posed by a sovereign Jewish state rather than focus, as hitherto, on the religious establishment and political parties.

President Zalman Shazar, Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu, members of the Diplomatic Corps and Knesset Members of other parties heard greetings from Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir and Mayor Yehoshua Rabinowitz.

Mr. Sapir urged mutual tolerance of religious issues so as to avoid a *kufturkamp* now that a solution appeared on the horizon.

Ambulance hits car, picks up new patient

TEL AVIV. — An ambulance speeding to get a patient to hospital Tuesday night arrived with two patients: it collided with another vehicle on the way, and brought along an accident victim as well.

The ambulance had reached the seventh kilometre of the Lydda road when it crashed into a car. Rachel Salah, 52, of Jaffa, a passenger in the car, was injured.

The ambulance driver, who was not identified, collected the injured woman and continued on his way. She was admitted to Sheba Hospital (Tel Hashomer), as was the patient for whom the ambulance was summoned in the first place.

Rich to get richer under tax relief

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT. — A man with four children earning IL600 a month will get IL6 more under proposed income tax reductions. His neighbour, with a family the same size, who earns IL1,600, stands to benefit by IL41.

This was stated by Dr. Yisrael Katz, head of the National Insurance Institute, to senior staff members of the Weizmann Institute on Tuesday evening. He was commenting on the Finance Minister's proposal to apply the reduction on marginal income tax rates (the tax ceiling on high incomes) to all taxpayers. The ceiling income tax rate on the last pound earned was reduced from 80 agorot to 75 in April and will come down to 70 this April.

Dr. Katz said the same inequity in the rate of benefits from the proposed reduction also applies to children's allowances, which were increased in October. (The man with IL600 would gain only IL35 a month, while the one with the IL1,600 salary would gain IL152.)

THE WEATHER

Forecast: Scattered showers, clearing up somewhat during the day.

Weather synopsis: The high trough which caused rain, cold and lastable air to penetrate this region is moving eastward.

Jerusalem	Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's Forecast
Golan	—	—	1-10
Nahariya	—	—	6-18
Safa	—	—	6-15
Nazareth	—	—	6-15
Afula	—	—	6-17
Shomron	—	—	6-17
Tel Aviv	—	—	9-17
Lod	—	—	9-17
Jericho	—	—	8-18
Gaza	—	—	9-18
Sourabaya	—	—	6-23
Bilal	—	—	6-18
Tiran	—	—	17-26

Social and Personal

The new British Ambassador, Mr. W. Bernard Ledwidge, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Israel Yeshayahu.

Minister of Social Welfare Michael Chazani met yesterday with the Canadian Ambassador, Mr. Thomas Paul Malone.

Minister of Transport and Communications Shimon Peres met yesterday with the Australian Ambassador Mr. Rawdon Dalrymple.

The Austrian Ambassador, Dr. Johanna Nestler, yesterday called on Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin at Party head offices in Tel Aviv.

Mr. Adrian van Eerd of Holland yesterday planted a tree in Yad Vashem's Avenue of Righteous Gentiles in recognition of his efforts to save Jewish lives during the Nazi occupation.

The Chief Army Chaplain, Tat-Aliu Mordechai Piron, will be guest speaker at tonight's Hanukkah meeting of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club. Wives are invited. (The regular weekly luncheon meeting has been cancelled.)

The annual exhibition and sale of embroidery done by the students at the St. Vincent de Paul convent in Jerusalem, along with their traditional three-day bazaar, opens tomorrow. On Friday it will be open to the public from 10 to 1 and 3 to 7 p.m. Saturday and Sunday it will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3-7 p.m.

ARRIVALS

Labour Minister Yosef Almog, from a tour of the U.S. on behalf of the U.A. (by El Al).

Mr. Kenneth Lasser, Second Vice President of the Corporate Division of the Chase Manhattan Bank in New York, for a short visit as guest of Amal — American Israeli Corporation.

DEPARTURES

Menahem Begin, M.K., Chairman of the Knesset Executive, to Geneva, on an Israel Bonds mission (by El Al).

Mr. Ralph Goldman, Associate Director-General of JDC, M.A. Ben, for New York, to attend the 8th annual conference of the American Joint Distribution Committee.

Lebanon returns two Arab Israelis

ACRE. — Two young men who crossed into Lebanon at separate points several days ago were returned without prior notice via Rosh Hanikra yesterday afternoon.

One is a 23-year-old Beduin from a tribe near Beerseba, who crossed the border near Kibbutz Hanita. The other is a Druse, 22, from the Golan Heights, who crossed near Tel Dan. Both have been detained for questioning. (Tm)

Gas blast damages Jerusalem house

A gas leak caused an explosion in the Ein Karem quarter of Jerusalem yesterday morning, injuring a 45-year-old man.

Meir Ben-Yasu, an Egged ticket-seller, lit a match to prepare a hot drink before going to work. The gas, which apparently had leaked out during the night, exploded. The ceiling and one of the walls collapsed, injuring Ben-Yasu. The other 10 members of his family escaped unharmed.

The Municipality promised to pay for housing the family elsewhere until its workers repair the house.

ELECTRONIC INCIDENT

Mrs. Razieli-Naor charged that cars with loudspeakers had toured Hebron and accused the Jews of stealing the Tomb of the Patriarchs from the Moslems. In pre-State days, she recalled, incitement was sometimes started from mosques.

The police should investigate and uncover all the facts. But, meanwhile, Jews should settle in greater numbers in Kiryat Arba (the Jewish quarter of Hebron) and in Hebron proper. Jobs should be found for many more Jewish settlers.

She believed the problem could have been avoided if there had been a moratorium on statements of intent about the administered areas, and if Israeli law had been applied to the areas.

Dr. Yisrael Ben-Meir (National Religious Party) began his speech by condemning the snippets who had sent a letter-bomb to Chief Rabbi Goren the day before. He said the letter-bomb incident was the worst in a whole campaign of hooliganism, threats and harassment conducted against Rabbi Goren. Extremist circles were responsible for this incident, he said, and blamed heads of various fanatical *yeshivot*, abetted and aided by the leaders of a certain political party.

Aguda's Rabbi Menahem Porush began shouting Dr. Ben-Meir down, accusing him of being a worse terrorist than the *yeshiva* heads he was attacking. The Speaker instructed Dr. Ben-Meir to stick to the subject of Hebron.

Dr. Ben-Meir then said there was no intention of casting collective guilt upon any body or community. It was a question of an individual culprit, or perhaps individuals, no more. But it was unimaginable that any Jew, let alone an observant Kiryat Arba settler,

State rests case; witnesses scared

TEL AVIV. — The prosecution in the trial of a reputed gangster, accused of extorting more than IL500,000 from a compulsive gambler, had to rest its case in the District Court here yesterday because it could get no more witnesses to testify.

The assistant district attorney, S. Shratzer, said his last witness had refused to testify because his life and the lives of his family had been threatened.

The accused, Yosef ("Yusuf") Laria, owner of the Puerto Rico bar and delicatessen, took the stand himself to describe his relationship with the big-time loser, businessman Boris Kishon. He was the first witness for the defence in the trial which opened two months ago.

(The prosecution witness who refused to testify was Gabriel Mirandita, Dr. Kishon's sales manager in London, Kishon, a food technologist, has several manufacturing and marketing firms.)

Laria's arrest and trial stemmed from evidence heard in the case of murdered underworld figure Han Asherov, to whom Dr. Kishon said he paid IL30,000 and IL18,000 in gambling losses. According to one of the witnesses in that trial, Asherov—who worked for Laria — was killed because he never turned the money over to Laria.

One man, Lucien Leonte, has been sentenced to life imprisonment for killing Asherov last February. Another, Yosef Amiel, was freed on Sunday. He was on trial for his part in the murder, but the prosecution asked for a stay of proceedings because it could get no witnesses to testify for fear of underworld revenge.

Laria, who was examined by his own attorneys yesterday, rejected earlier testimony by Kishon that he had ever played cards with Kishon, struck him, threatened him with a pistol, or held him against his will in a hotel.

Laria told the court the Kishon had been "a good customer" at the Puerto Rico delicatessen and often went into the bar behind the shop to play cards with other patrons. He and Kishon had spoken about going into business together; Kishon was to produce the essence for a new alcoholic beverage, and Laria was to be the distributor in Israel.

The money he is accused of extorting from Kishon, Laria said, was partly loans Laria had made to the businessman and partly gambling losses Kishon had incurred to others in Laria's back room. Laria bought the promissory notes Kishon had given.

"Kishon told me he only had one pleasure in life," the accused said. "He wasn't interested in women — only in cards. He was a real gambler — he played cards all over the world."

The trial was continued. Laria is to resume the witness stand when it reconvenes. (Tm)

Common Era dates allowed on tombstones

The Supreme Court yesterday ruled that Common Era dates may be inscribed on tombstones in Jewish cemeteries.

The court issued a declaratory judgment permitting Mr. Raphael Gideon of Tel Aviv to have the dates added to the tombstone of his father, who died in 1968. It also issued an injunction against interference with the inscription by the Hevra Kadisha.

Mr. Gideon had appealed to the Supreme Court after the Tel Aviv District Court upheld the Hevra Kadisha refusal to permit the inscription. The District Court conceded that the agreement signed between Mr. Gideon and the Hevra Kadisha was unfair in that it denied him the right to include the Gregorian dates. It ruled, however, that this agreement was not covered by the Uniform Contracts Law.

The Supreme Court, by a two-to-one decision, ruled that the clause forbidding use of the Common Era dates was, indeed, a limiting clause as defined by the Uniform Contracts Law.

The court rejected the Hevra Kadisha's claim that it had a right to determine burial and commemoration norms under the Religious

Woman murdered in Bethlehem

45-year-old Bethlehem woman was clubbed to death, allegedly by her son-in-law, on Tuesday night.

The man, Omar el-Abr, 28, appeared at the Bethlehem police station and asked to be arrested for beating his mother-in-law. He constantly interfered in his private life with his wife, he said, and this time he completely lost control and struck her with a club.

The woman, Sa'ada Alwas, was taken to the hospital in critical condition, and later died. Omar el-Abr will be tried for murder. (Tm)

Officers split off from Seamen's Union

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The annual seamen's convention opened yesterday morning — and immediately ran aground on the officers' demand to split their federated union. They proposed the establishment of two separate unions, of officers and ratings.

Notwithstanding last-minute efforts by the Histadrut and shipping companies' managers to avert the split, which could anger a stormy era for the merchant marine, the union was in fact split in the afternoon.

When the meeting opened, the first speaker, Histadrut Executive representative Yehoshua Woscizna, asked the 32 delegates representing about 3,000 seamen not to split up. He said a split would solve no problems but would only further polarize differences between the various ranks.

APPEAL TO HISTADRUT

The officers appealed to the Histadrut last night to recognize their division as the "National Union of Marine Officers" and arrange the division of the union assets. They decided to continue the convention on their own today in the Seamen's Centre.

The officers had already decided during the past week to set up a union of their own. Their decision reflected shipboard realities on more modern and sophisticated ships, in which ratings have only a minor part to play and their relative number is dropping.

"The split might still have been avoided, but for the results of the union elections held last summer," Moshe Levy, the erstwhile "rebel" from the m.s. Avocadoore, who had been disqualified for life and was pardoned by the Transport Ministry, was elected as leader of the ratings division. Veteran masters and officers openly stated that they

Residents halt traffic in Givatayim protest

Jerusalem Post Reporter

GIVATAYIM. — Hundreds of local residents and schoolchildren brought morning rush-hour traffic on Rehov Herzog here to a halt yesterday to their demand that it be made one-way. They say the heavy volume of traffic is a constant danger for children.

It took police several hours to clear the demonstrators from the road and get traffic flowing again. At about 7, hundreds of residents of Rehov Herzog, which is the Givatayim extension of Ramat Gan's Rehov Modi'in, flocked out to mid-road at the junction with Rehov Ben Zvi. With them were pupils of the local Masada elementary school.

Police arrived at the scene half-an-hour after the demonstration began. Traffic was at a total standstill, with hundreds of cars tied up in a kilometre-long jam in each direction. Police detained four of the demonstrators, who were later released. Traffic was restored to normal at 11:30 a.m.

The area's residents claim that three children were injured by passing cars in the last few weeks. The children have to cross the street to get to school.

Bar-Ilan students blocked Geha Road in a similar demonstration a day earlier.

First snow falls on Mount Hermon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first snow of winter fell on Mount Hermon during Tuesday night. It was 20 cms. deep at an altitude of 2,000 metres.

The ski site will open, as scheduled, on Friday, the first day of Hanukka.

In other parts of the country, the rain fell throughout most of the day. In the South, the Be'eri and the Yed Mordechai-Brez roads were closed by flooding.

TODAY'S POSTBAG

THE TEL AVIV-BASED watchman service, Hashmira, has established a scholarship in criminology at Tel Aviv University. The memorial scholarship is named for Moshe and Yehudit Shermister, founders of the 35-year-old company.

PUBLICATION OF VOL. I of the "New Dictionary for the Literature of the Sages" was announced yesterday by Bar-Ilan University's Rector, Prof. Menahem Zvi Kadari. The dictionary will be published in six volumes.

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"vertebrae" in the presence of
the artist,
has been postponed.

Woman murdered in Bethlehem

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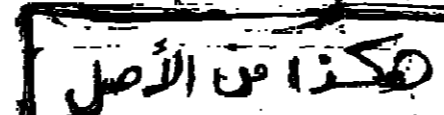
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will be held on Sunday, December 3, 1972 at 2.30 p.m. at the Nahlat Yitzhak cemetery.

Our gratitude to those who expressed condolences.

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Acting Interior Minister: Kiryat Wolfson bad, but it's too late to change

By ASHEE WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Jerusalem District Town Planning Committee, which approved the Kiryat Wolfson high-rise apartment project, failed to strike a golden mean between the urban development and the need to preserve the city's character, Acting Minister Michael Chazan gave this as his personal opinion in the plans of Kiryat Wolfson. The committee (in place of Interior Minister Dr. Yosef Burg) to a motion for the agenda calling for changes in the plans of Kiryat Wolfson. The motion came from Mr. Reuven Arzi (Alignment-Mapsam), and was moved to Committee. Kiryat Wolfson towers over the Valley of Rehavia and the Knesset.

Mr. Chazan noted that the Interior Ministry representative on the Planning Committee objected to Kiryat Wolfson project in many details, but was outvoted. The Ministry, however, had not appealed subsequently to the National Town Planning Committee, which it was empowered to do.

Mr. Chazan pointed out that Sir Isaac Wolfson took a considerable economic risk in launching his project during the pre-war recession. Changes in the Planning and Building Law were urgently required that would allow for essential housing and development yet preserve the social, historical, religious or aesthetic elements of a particular locality, he said.

The first eight buildings in Kiryat Wolfson were designed by a group of young architects. But plans at this stage would be expensive. But plans for the last three buildings could still be altered.

Mr. Arzi said that the Wolfson quarter, with 11 towers rising up to 50 or 60 metres along half a kilometre, would form a kind of "Great Wall of China," separating the Nahlaot and Shalom Haed quarters from the Sacher Park, the Knesset, the

Threat mailed to Beersheba rabbi

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEERSHEBA. — The Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi of Beersheba received two threatening letters on Tuesday in connection with the Langer manuscript case.

The letters one mailed in Eneel Brak and the other in Jerusalem, blamed Rabbi Eliyahu Katz for helping Rabbi Goren clear the Langer siblings of the slur of mamzerut. Rabbi Katz is a member of the Chief Rabbinate Council, but he did not serve on the court convened by Rabbi Goren to deal with the Langer case, he told The Post.

Referring to both Rabbi Goren and Rabbi Katz by derogatory titles (Rabbi Goren was called "Priest Goren," while Rabbi Katz was described as a "Nasi priest"), the letters said Rabbi Katz's house will be burned down Wednesday morning (yesterday) with all its occupants.

Rabbi Katz told The Post he did not complain to the police, since he was not afraid. "I served as Rabbi in Czechoslovakia for 19 years, and learned not to fear the Communists here," he said. "Why should I be afraid here?"

It appears that no attempt to carry out the threat was made yesterday. Rabbi Katz commented: "God made it rain this morning..."

Allon: Libya used bribery in Chad

LOD AIRPORT. — Libya used old-fashioned bribery to induce Chad to break diplomatic ties with Israel, Deputy Premier Yigal Allon charged here yesterday.

Mr. Allon was speaking prior to a three-week visit on behalf of the U.J.A. He will also meet with U.S. Secretary of State William Rogers, at Mr. Rogers' invitation.

Chad's step is a disappointment to Israel, the Minister said, but she should not despair of the rest of the African continent. At the same time, he added, Israel will have to learn the lessons of Chad and Uganda and make some changes. (Uganda, where Israel had a number of advisers and an aid programme, severed relations with Israel in March and established close relations with Libya.)

The Deputy Premier said no agenda has been set for his meeting with Secretary Rogers, and he was not bringing any plans for discussion — including the "Allon plan." As to fears of ministers' visits to the U.S. inviting pressures on Israel, Mr. Allon said many of the trips had nothing to do with political missions. The "nervousness" about pressures was incomprehensible to him.

The U.N. General Assembly's Middle East debate is superfluous, he said. Its anti-Israel bias is a foregone conclusion, the Arabs can mobilize the votes for any resolution they wish to have passed, he said.

A resolution similar to that passed last year, he noted, will only serve to harden the Arab position.

Mr. Allon, reacting to the proposal by the National Religious Party that Knesset Member Zeev Haiman of the N.R.P. be appointed Deputy Education Minister, said he will "vehemently oppose" any appointment without prior consultation with him.

(The N.R.P. feels its entitled to the post under the coalition agreement with the Labour Party. The previous Deputy Minister, Dr. Avner Sela, was dismissed by the Cabinet in July after he voted in favour of a bill to amend the Law of Return in violation of the coalition's stand.)

Who were rabbis in Langer case?

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
What are the names of the rabbis who signed the Langer judgment legitimizing the brother and sister as full Jews?

This inquiry formed part of a parliamentary question tabled by Mr. Shlomo Lorincz (Aguda) in the Knesset yesterday. It was addressed to Religious Affairs Minister Zerah Warhaftig.

Did the rabbis follow religious court procedures, Rabbi Lorincz asked? Were they all accredited religious court rabbis?



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Allon: No need to pay for school guards But parents paying

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
The Cabinet will discuss security in Jerusalem schools.

Deputy Premier and Education Minister Yigal Allon said this at a question time in the Knesset Tuesday, in reply to Mr. Avraham Katz (Ohalim).

Mr. Allon said the Education Ministry had not suggested that parents hire guards. The authorities responsible for security do not recommend hiring guards as a solution to the problem, he said.

(A number of Jerusalem schools have already cleared parents for guards.)

Two years ago, Mr. Allon said, the Ministry laid down rules making school principals responsible for searching the school area. The janitor and a teacher along with two pupils, were to carry out the searches, the rules said.

Mr. Katz had asked whether it was true that Jerusalem school principals had been urged by the authorities to bill parents for hired guards.

More flats being built for new immigrants

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Because of the increase in immigration, the Jewish Agency is planning the erection of 13 additional absorption centres, and hotels, Mr. Uri Narkiss, Director of the Agency's Immigration Department, said the project would cost IL40m.

November was a record month for immigration, Mr. Narkiss said, with 4,897 immigrants arriving from all over the world. These included 453 academicians from the Soviet Union, 648 immigrants from Georgia and 301 from Bukhara. There were also 252 from North America and 839 from Western Europe.

The influx has often led to overcrowding, and hotels are being rented as temporary accommodation. The additional centres would be built during the next five years, permitting the accommodation of 10,000 additional immigrants a year.

Dinitz appointment approved

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Cabinet yesterday approved the appointment of Mr. Simcha Dinitz, the Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, as Israel's Ambassador to the U.S. The appointment was not announced officially, as it is not customary to announce ambassadorial appointments until they have been formally approved by both states involved.

Mr. Dinitz's appointment was brought before the Cabinet by the Prime Minister and was approved without opposition.

Earlier, the Ambassadors Appointments Committee — which is chaired by Foreign Minister Abba Eban — met to discuss the appointment. Here, Mr. Eban voiced his opposition to Mr. Dinitz's appointment (the Foreign Minister favoured U.N. envoy Yosef Teokoh for the Washington post), but found himself in a minority of one in the seven-member committee when the issue was put to the vote.

Mr. Eban did not register his opposition when the Prime Minister later put up Mr. Dinitz's name for the approval of the whole Cabinet.

Mr. Teokoh is now expected to remain at his post in New York.

The name of Mr. Ze'ev Sheek is being mentioned in Jerusalem as possible successor to Mr. Dinitz in the Prime Minister's Office. Mr. Sheek, currently a senior adviser at the Foreign Ministry, served as secretary to Mr. Moshe Sharett and for a short time to Mrs. Golda Meir when she was Foreign Minister. Later he was ambassador to Austria.

Mr. Eban is reported to have told the Appointments Committee that he was placing before it, in his capacity as chairman, the Prime Minister's proposal that Mr. Dinitz be appointed. He himself, Mr. Eban continued, would not vote on the issue. The other six members of the Committee, voted in favour.

Mr. Dinitz is 43.

Saudi Arabia was the catalyst of Chad move

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Reporter
Saudi Arabian pressure seems to have been behind Chad's decision to break off diplomatic relations with Israel. Observers in Jerusalem noted yesterday that the Chad decision came a week after an official visit to Chad by King Faisal, which ended with a joint communique from the King and President Tombalbaye calling for a "renewed friendship" between the two states.

The observers assumed that, while constant pressure from Libya over a long period had slowly been driving Chad towards the break with Israel, it was Saudi Arabia which was the catalyst which finally brought about the rupture. It was noted that Saudi Arabia was as capable as Libya of offering financial incentives to Chad to act against Israel.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Abba Eban, told a special Cabinet session that "there was nothing in the sphere of relations between Israel and Chad that could account for the severance." The Foreign Minister reviewed the sequence of relations with Chad over the past two years.

ARAB PRESSURE

He spoke of the "Arab pressure aimed at getting Chad to renounce its traditional friendly relations of a dozen years' standing with Israel."

A statement issued after the Cabinet meeting said Mr. Eban had explained that "no dispute nor tension had ever developed between Israel and Chad."

Postgraduate students from Chad had been trained in Israel, the Minister noted, and Israeli experts had worked on aid projects in Chad.

Officials in Jerusalem rejected the theory that the break with Chad might prelude breaks with other African states. "We are inundated with requests for aid from African states," one source revealed.

Officials pointed out that Israel's relations with more than 30 African states were flourishing. This week an embassy had been opened in Swaziland, with Charge d'Affaires Pinhas Gonen responsible for relations with nearby Lesotho and Botswana too. Previously, relations with all three states had

Weizmann I. governors approve IL71m. budget

Jerusalem Post Reporter
BEHOVOT. — An operating budget of IL71.5m. for 1973/74 was approved yesterday by the closing session of the annual meeting of the Weizmann Institute Board of Governors.

The Board decided to concentrate its fund-raising efforts on operational modes rather than funds for new buildings. Chairman Abraham Feinberg announced that five donors, led by himself, each pledged \$1m. towards an endowment fund, to be used for operations.

Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir told the Board he was of the opinion that endowment funds should be given top priority in fund-raising efforts. "But I do not think that such a fund should be set up separately for each of the seven higher education institutions in Israel," he added.

In a series of short ceremonies the closing session honoured donors of 11 new buildings and four new chairs and bestowed Honorary Fellowships on Nobel Laureate Fritz Andre M. Lwoff of France and Dr. David Ginsburg, a Washington D.C. attorney.

Among the donors honoured by the Board of Governors were: Mr. Nehemiah H. Cohen of Washington, Mr. Harold L. Feinberg and Mr. Arnold E. Meyer of Chicago, Mr. Amnon Barnes of Los Angeles, Mr. Murray Koffler of Toronto, Mr. Herman Meyer of France, the Brazilian publisher Adolpho Bloch, Mr. Rubin Kunitz of Israel and Mr. Samuel Lenzfeld of Switzerland. The Federal Republic of Germany was also cited for its contributions.

The new chairs in Geophysics, Experimental Physics, Computer Science and Applied Physics, were endowed by the late Samuel J. Zacks of Toronto, the ELDRSE Foundation of Canada, Mr. Norman D. Cohen of Boston and Mr. Samuel Seba of London, respectively. A cancer research wing and a research fellowship were endowed by Fanny and Samuel Kay and James F. Kay of Toronto.


A Happy Hanukka from the Toy Fund

As the first candle is lit tonight, The Jerusalem Post Toy Fund wishes all our readers a very happy Hanukka — with this reminder: If you have not yet sent your contribution off to us, please do so right away.

The Toy Fund H.Q. regrets any errors made in our daily listing, and will of course reprint on request — but here is one that we are most grateful for. Leopold Wronen, of the Neve Aviv Club in Kfar Saba, writes: "In your paper of Monday, you mention that I gave IL50. However, I sent you a cheque for only IL20. In order to correct your error I send you herewith a cheque for the balance of IL30." Thank you ever so much.

Yesterday's contributions came to IL2,216.30, bringing the total so far to IL20,126.35. There is still so much more we must do before the holiday season is over.

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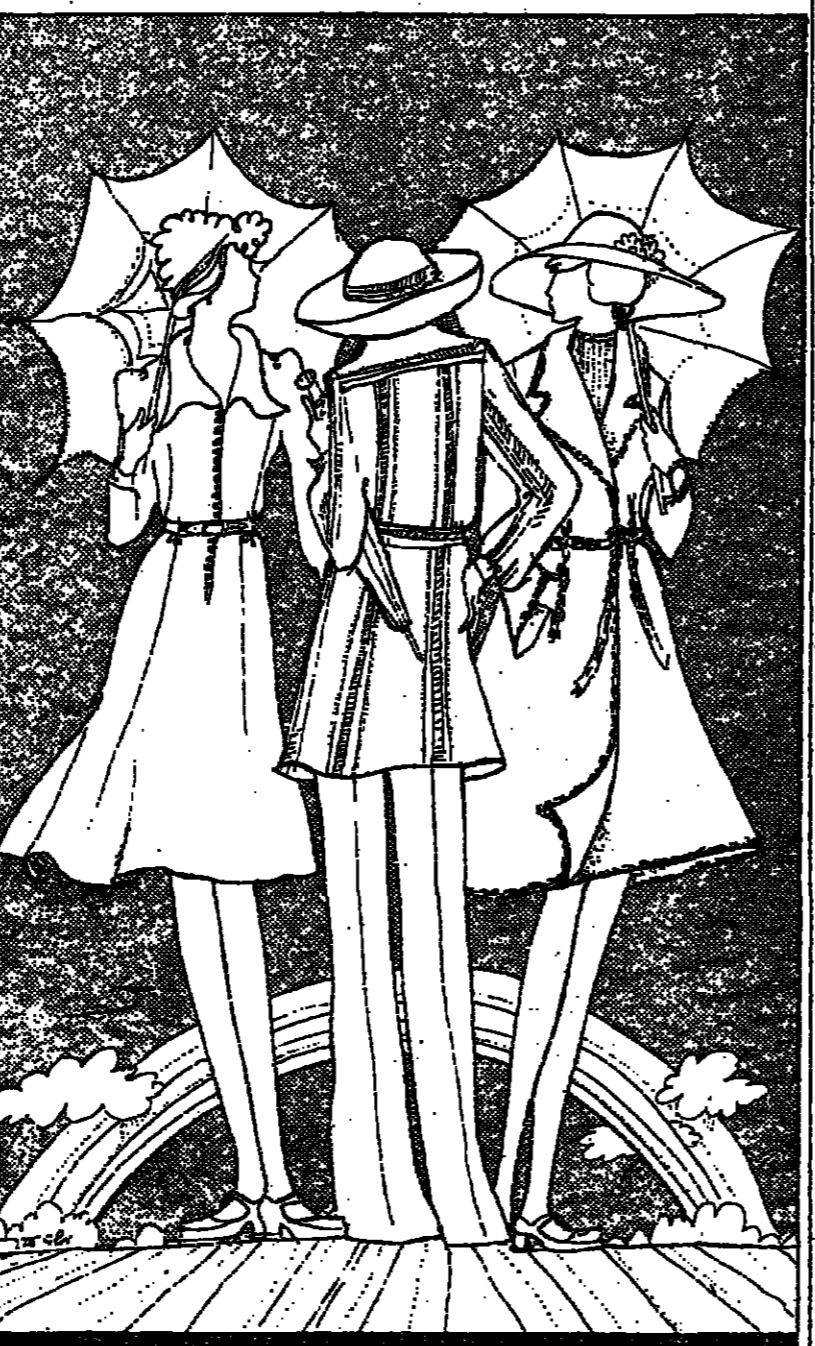
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English dining room begin at Museum

The cornerstone for the Ida Berg 18th Century English Dining Room will be laid at the Israel Museum tomorrow in the presence of Mr. David Berg, of New York.

Mr. Berg has been collecting English silver and furniture for many years in New York. The room, in memory of his mother, will be adjacent to the Rothschild 18th Century French Room and to the Sacchi-Schapira Italian Room, which is still being built. Mr. Herzl Sarcel, who designed the French Room and who is giving the Museum a little Empire Room, has agreed to design the English Room, which will be wood-paneled.

Dedication of the big three-piece sculpture by Henry Moore, "Vertebrae," also scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed owing to a delay in shipping.

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BEAN SOUP FIGHT ENDS IN COURT

TEL AVIV. — A customer at a Bah Yam restaurant got up to wash his hands and returned to find another man eating his bean soup.

Hassan Agabriyeh, of Jaffa, asked the other man to get up and was refused. He thereupon picked up the bowl of soup and

fung it to the floor. A fist fight erupted, in the course of which damage was caused to the restaurant.

The incident cost Agabriyeh a H.500 fine in the Magistrate's Court yesterday. Judge Boris Rappaport also imposed a six-month suspended sentence. (The)

The Haifa Municipality

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The 21st International Flower Show will be held in Haifa during the 1973 Passover Holidays

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'Fatah leader' hurt in Stockholm
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L-bomb in W. Germany

Letter bombs exploded in West Germany and Sweden yesterday, during a Jordanian medical student, a man whom police said was a former Fatah leader.



Suitcases containing 60 kgs. of heroin which were seized by French and American narcotics agents in Paris on Monday night.

New U.S. Defence Secretary
stays out of the spotlight

By JOHN STOWELL
WASHINGTON (AP). — Elliot Richardson, who was appointed the new Secretary of Defence on Tuesday, has a reputation for managerial skills. During his time as Under-Secretary of State and for the last 2 1/2 years as Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare (HEW), he preferred to work out of the public spotlight.



ELLIOT RICHARDSON

Afro-Asian
motion on terror
presented at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — A group of seven Afro-Asian states tabled a resolution on Tuesday calling for the establishment of a special, 40-nation committee to study the problem of terrorism and make recommendations to next year's session of the General Assembly.

False alarm
on letter bomb
to Indira Gandhi

NEW DELHI (AP). — The thick envelope was addressed to Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and had stamps worth 10 rupees (Rs.50), much more than was required.

DRUG SEIZURES INCREASE
'French connection' hurt

PARIS (AP). — Although acknowledging that Marseilles' clandestine heroin labs continue to function, a U.S. official asserted yesterday that the French-American narcotics trade has really been hurt for the first time this year since World War II.

U.K. thalidomide
firm offers £5m.
compensation

LONDON (AP). — The British distributors of the drug thalidomide yesterday increased their offer of compensation to 370 deformed children and their parents.

Fulbright in Saudia

BEIRUT (UPI). — Sen. William Fulbright, chairman of the U.S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, met Saudi Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Omar Saqqaf in Jeddah on Tuesday, the Saudi news agency said yesterday.

Grechko visits
French bases,
sees Mirages

ISTRES, France (UPI). — Soviet Defence Minister Andrei Grechko visited military installations across France yesterday and saw the latest in French planes and weaponry.

Two Maoris in new
N. Zealand Cabinet

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (UPI). — The Labour Party government announced its new cabinet yesterday, and for the first time in New Zealand history it included two Maoris.

Sydney firebug —
one-armed monkey

SYDNEY (Reuter). — The 'Firebug' who caused three false alarms at the University of Sydney this month was identified yesterday as a playful, one-armed pig-tailed monkey.

61 die in Moscow crash

MOSCOW (UPI). — Soviet authorities yesterday lifted a nine-hour ban and permitted Japan Air Lines representatives to inspect the wreckage of a JAL DC-8-62 jetliner which crashed on take-off on Tuesday night for Copenhagen and Tokyo.

Rebels wipe out
army post in
Philippines

MANILA (Reuter). — Philippines president Ferdinand Marcos said yesterday a group of rebels, apparently armed from abroad, was fighting government troops on the southern island of Basilan.

Danish 'copters
rescue 53 from
drifting oil rig

AAREHUS, Denmark (UPI). — Three Danish rescue helicopters yesterday plucked 53 men from a drifting British oil rig in the North Sea in a heavy storm, dumped half of them on a nearby tanker and returned to land with the rest.

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No games symbol
on contraceptives

WELLINGTON, New Zealand (Reuter). — The organizing committee for the 1974 British Commonwealth Games in Christchurch has turned down a request from a contraceptives company to use the games symbol on its products.

Woman rabbi wins
U.S. award

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The first ordained woman rabbi in the U.S. and Mrs. Richard Nixon's special entertainment and media coordinator were among the winners on Tuesday on the 10 outstanding Young Women of America awards for 1972.

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Dangerous housing shortage in Galilee town

By YA'ACOV ARDON Jerusalem Post Reporter
MA'ALOT - This development town, with a population of 6,000, has had a Housing Ministry promise of 300 new homes this year whittled down to 84, and then to 46, council chairman Ben-Ya'acov, a former army officer, said on Sunday.



Housing project in Ma'alot - not enough.

20 km. east of Nahariya, but is perched on hills 550 metres above the sea. It enjoys a crisp and bracing climate and in winter there is often snow. Its industrial zone is studded with a variety of metal, textile and other plants, and there is no unemployment and no delinquency.

LEADERS CLASH WITH CHAMPS

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
TEL AVIV - League leaders Jaffa Maccabi play host Saturday to last year's league champions Tel Aviv Maccabi, in what promises to be the main match of the day.



Jaffa Maccabi, now fielding a number of young players on its first team, showed definite improvement in last week's game at Petah Tikva. The team badly misses the scheming of Giora Spiegel and their most dangerous forwards Devor Bar and Sahamir Tahel have been off form.

Peace is reality

"Peace between Jews and Arabs is a living reality here, and the leaders of the Arab countries and of the great powers in the world might learn something from our experience."

Rumanians

The first Jewish settlers in Ma'alot were immigrants from Rumania. The Government decided in May 1963 to merge the two towns into one administrative unit with a joint council.

CHILD MUST RETURN TO U.S.

In the Supreme Court sitting as High Court of Justice before the President (Justice Agron) the Deputy President (Justice Sussman) and Justice Kister, Claire Goldstein, Petitioner, v. Edward Martin Goldstein, Respondent (H.C. 380/72)

LAW REPORT

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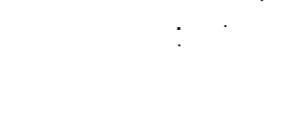
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WAITING FOR EGGED



(Photo by David Pomer)

By Avi Z. Benayamin
THERE it was on page 3 of *The Jerusalem Post*. Passengers on Egged buses in Rishon le-Zion had complained because, and I quote, "upon asking an Egged bus driver for information, they discovered that he could not understand Hebrew."
 So, that's the reason, I said to myself. I've travelled with Egged bus drivers of every race, creed, religion, colour, national origin and what have you. I've almost never received the information I asked for. I never thought that the trouble was linguistic. (Even though I do suspect that bus drivers and I do not talk the same language.)
 Take, for example, the major inter-urban stop in Derech Haifa, corner Arlosoroff, in Tel Aviv. One stop lists three bus lines, 601, 701 and 720. By going out into the midst of the heavy traffic, and straining your neck skywards at an 172° angle, you can even get to read the sign cleverly posted atop the corrugated asbestos roof and find out where these buses are supposed to go to.
 Then you wait. A bus swoops down with a large number, 872, in bold green numerals, heralding its destination. Except, the number is the only thing written there. There is no destination sign on the bus. And the sign on the bus stop gives three numbers, but no 872. So, you ask the bus driver, "Where is this bus going?"
Dulcet tones
 "Can't you read?" comes the answer in the dulcet tones with which our bus drivers normally address their public. I can read. But how can I make 601, 701 or 720 give me 872? The next bus to stop is equally boldly marked, 600. Same question. And will you be surprised if I say I received the same answer, questioning my literacy?
 In fact, 872 and 600 seem to be the most frequent buses at this stop. Can it be security reasons that they're unlisted. Perhaps the enemy isn't supposed to know where the buses are going? But what about the new immigrant and the tourist?
 Maybe there's a kabbalistic riddle to it. Now 601 says

Shafayim-Netanya. If I subtract 1 from 601, I get 600. If I subtract Shafayim from Shafayim-Netanya I get Netanya. And, as events proved, it works. (The only trouble is, this is the only line on which I've ever tried that it did work.) Otherwise, you have either to depend upon your fellow commuters, who try to be helpful, or just go on a magical, mystical, Egged bus ride.
 The mystery is even greater at some other stops. Take, for example, the stop in Derech Haifa just south of the Sharon Hotel crossroads. There's an Egged bus stop here with a little shelter, and sign, but no numbers, no numbers whatsoever? What bus stops here, when, where is it going? Who knows? Being some 15 kilometres north of Tel Aviv, you may assume that whatever bus you take on the Haifa-Tel Aviv Road will take you to Tel Aviv. So, you get on the first bus that comes along — and wind up travelling via the Geza Road to Rehovot.
Blank stop
 I've also seen these blank Egged bus stops in the eastern sections of Jerusalem. Frankly, I find something sinister about them. I don't mind waiting at a bus stop with numbers, even with wrong numbers. But, at a blank bus stop, I start wondering, am I waiting for Egged, or for Godot? What am I doing here anyhow? Will a bus ever come? Where will it be going? Of course, at that lively, bustling, howling monstrosity known as the Central Bus Terminal in Tel Aviv, you can find out where buses are going to, just by asking the information desk. But where does Egged have its information desk? There are many little booths in and around the terminal which Egged bus drivers use for such esoteric activities as making tea. Some one has gone to all the trouble and expense of printing signs for these booths saying, "This is not an information booth!" Nobody has put up any sign to say where the information booth might be. Egged's exercise in the power of positive thinking.

sometimes give you some information, I once asked them the route of bus 70. They claimed it doesn't exist. But there are bus signs marked 70, I insisted. No such bus, the man in the information booth explained. A friend of mine, with OSS, CIA, KGB and other forms of training, finally unearched the secret. Tel Aviv has Egged inter-urban buses, Dan urban buses — and number 70. The latter, a remnant from a more bucolic age, never took part in the conglomeration that produced Egged and Dan, continuing to ply its private way between Tel Aviv and Rehovot.
 A veteran Israeli survivor of many unusual bus rides, Egged and Dan, continuing to ply its private way between Tel Aviv and Rehovot, which he takes upon bus drivers who offend him. Staring them straight in the face he declares decisively.
 "You are a member of the Egged bus drivers cooperative."
 The drivers turn crimson with rage, he told me. You would think it was a terrible insult.

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Shemtov clears Tel Hashomer of negligence

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
 Health Minister Victor Shemtov gave Tel Hashomer Hospital a clean bill Monday, as regards its functioning on the night of the Lod Airport massacre of May 30.

(A series of articles running currently in a Tel Aviv newspaper sharply criticizes the efficiency of the various government departments involved and scores the hospitals as well.)
 Replying to a question in the Knesset from Mordechai Ben-Porat (Alignment-Labour), Mr. Shemtov said it would be no exaggeration to state that the medical treatment which Tel Hashomer gave on the night of the massacre was above reproach. Like other hospitals which cared for casualties that night, he said, Tel Hashomer acted in a way which merits praise — not blame verging on slander.

An inquiry panel has recommended certain improvements in the first-aid services at Lod Airport. Mr. Shemtov said — which include adding staff. The panel also urged a number of new procedures regarding evacuation of wounded from the airport and their transfer to hospitals in the area.
 The Minister said these and all other recommendations of the panel had been put into effect already.

Herut branches vote today CHALLENGE TO OLD-TIMERS

By MARK SEGAL
 Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

THREE main branches of Herut will today elect their delegates to the party's national convention, to be held in Jerusalem next month. In other branches, agreed lists of delegates were drawn up by the competing groups.
 The convention may well serve as a turning point in the evolution of Herut away from being the political extension of Mr. Menachem Begin's old "fighting family" of the Irgun Zvai Leumi. The Herut founder and chairman stands above the fray and is considered the undisputed leader by all sections of his party.

But his veteran followers, Dr. Yohanan Badar, M.K., Haim Landau, M.K., and party secretary Eitan Livni have nevertheless formed a "Begin loyalist" list for the internal election. They are seeking to reduce the influence of the innovators who wish to alter Herut's party structure and operational dynamics.
 The spokesman of the new group is party Executive Chairman Ezer Weizman who is linked to the party's "strongman" and Tel Aviv branch leader Yosef Kramerman, M.K., and Mr. Begin's former No. 2 man, Yaacov Meridor. The veterans are fighting to retain their control over Herut and to maintain their privileged positions in the party by virtue of their having belonged to the I.Z.L. But the "fighting family" is dwindling as time goes on, and lost their political "brains" with the death of Arye Ben-Eliezer.

The vote concerned Herut's reaction to the fact that the party's partners in Gahal, the Liberals, had backed the proposal for electoral reform. Mr. Begin wanted to serve them with an ultimatum, while Mr. Weizman tabled a much more moderately worded motion.
 The fact that Mr. Weizman earned so much support caused much alarm among the party veterans who feared this was a straw in the electoral wind. They have been fighting all the way against any changes in party electoral procedures, and in November unsuccessfully sought to block admission of new voters from the Ramat Gan and Tel Aviv branches, whom they feared would back the Weizman-Kramerman bloc. Significantly, Mr. Begin saved the day by producing a compromise formula that appeared to satisfy both sides.

The contest is not only over places at the convention and thus of the future executive policy-making bodies, but also over the fundamental concept of what Herut should become — an elitist party or a broadly-based non-socialist one.
 The Weizman-Kramerman bloc have argued that in the 1970s Herut should not operate as a party that comes to life only on election day, but must become a properly organized party with a broad appeal. This concept naturally frightens those veterans whose positions hinge only on their seniority and fidelity to their old I.Z.L. commander.

Mr. Weizman, who opposed Herut's leaving the Cabinet in 1970, urges that conditions be created that will enable Gahal to take an active role in the country's government. He believes that if Gahal's strength increases in the 1973 elections, it will have more bargaining power when the next coalition is being formed.

Doctor urges glaucoma check-ups

Jerusalem Post Reporter
EVERY one over 40 should undergo an annual eye check for signs of glaucoma, advises Dr. Michael Blumenthal of the Soroka Medical Centre in Beersheba. The advice is contained in a paper presented Tuesday to the International Symposium on Metabolic Eye Diseases, now taking place at the Sharon Hotel here.

Dr. Blumenthal reported that a survey of 2,000 healthy persons over the age of 40 — in kibbutzim, factories and other places of work in Israel — discovered that 1.7 per cent had dormant symptoms of the disease. It was noted that this percentage is the same as reported abroad, where it varied from 1.5 to two per cent according to surveys.
 If the symptoms are discovered in time, the disease — due to pressure building up in the eyeball — can be brought under control painlessly. If discovered when the disease is advanced, an operation is generally required.
 If not treated at all, the disease continues to progress until total blindness occurs. It generally occurs at the same time in both eyes. The cause of glaucoma is not yet known.



NITZAV-MISHNE TIOMKIN

Border Police officer named to regular police

TEL AVIV. — A former Border Police commander, Nitzav-Mishne Tiomkin, has been appointed commander of the Yarkon Police Sub-district in Tel Aviv. He replaces N/M Arye Ivizan, who has been appointed deputy commander of the Tel Aviv Police District. N/M Tiomkin took over his new duties yesterday. He previously held the post of a Border Police Sub-district commander.

LITTLE OF INTEREST

The Israel Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra, Yuri Aronovich, conductor. Irena Zaritzkaya, piano (broadcast from the Jerusalem Theatre — November 28). Concert: Prelude and Fugue; Chopin: Piano Concerto No. 1, in E minor; Bruckner: Symphony No. 2, in E minor.
THE inclusion of the opening piece did not offer anything of interest, as the completely uninspired score did not provide stimulus to performers or audience.
 Irena Zaritzkaya played her solo part in the Chopin Concerto in a straightforward manner and satisfactory musical interpretation. Her fluent technique and unsophisticated approach served her well in this work and earned her warm applause from the audience. Yuri Aronovich gave her solid support, with the little the orchestra has to say in Chopin's scores.
 The Second Symphony by Bruckner has never seemed particularly interesting to this reviewer, and Yuri Aronovich's reading could not alter this impression. The orchestra was well prepared, and everything seemed all right, but the music itself was not crystallized into the prog-



nant subjects nor the elaboration, contained in most of Bruckner's later symphonic works. The weaker a composition is in its concept, the stronger, more driving should be the direction of the conductor who chooses this work for performance. One was left with the impression that Yuri Aronovich let the score run him, instead of the other way round. As for technically faultless presentation, both orchestra and conductor deserve praise.
 Although this concert lacked the benefit of FM relay because of the technicians' strike, the broadcast nevertheless conveyed fresh sound and good balance to the listener at home.
 YOHANAN BOEHM

Report from Mazar

The accuracy of ancient sources has been verified by archaeological finds, writes Prof. Binyamin Mazar, the noted Hebrew University archaeologist who heads the team excavating south and west of the site of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem.
 Prof. Mazar's special article appears in tomorrow's Hanukka issue of the

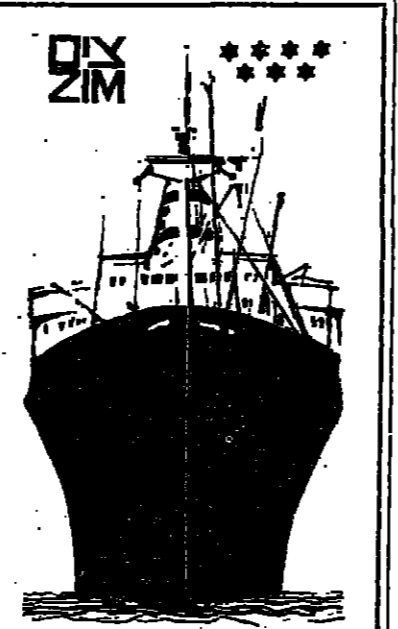
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 - **THE DRAMA OF ONE YES.** Benno Wiser-Varon describes one episode in the struggle for votes for the U.N. Palestine partition resolution, which passed the General Assembly 25 years ago yesterday — on November 29, 1947.
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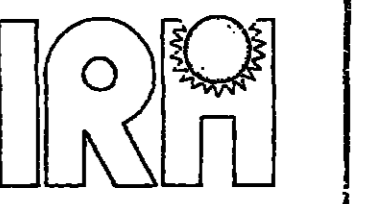
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Sapir says Leyland will settle, but terms not agreed

By DAVID KRIVINE Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent British Leyland is ready to make a lump-sum payment in settlement of the Israel Government's claims arising out of the bankruptcy of Autocars. But if agreement cannot be reached on the terms, proceedings will be undertaken in a British court, Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir told the Knesset Economic Committee yesterday.

Leyland is alleged to have misled the authorities by creating the impression that it would have majority control of Autocars through the shares which they bought from Koor and the Central Trade and Investment Company. But the shares were deposited in a bank "in trust," so that Leyland remained a minority shareholder.

Income tax officials strike today

Jerusalem Post Reporter Income tax offices will be closed for 24 hours from this morning as more than 3,000 tax personnel — clerks, assessors, cashiers and others — stage a warning strike. The workers say their employer, the Treasury, has not fulfilled certain commitments. They say these include a clothing allowance, incentive pay and special remuneration for tax officials who attend after-hour conferences connected with their work.

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Freight centre planned for Tel Aviv outskirts

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent Israel needs more industrial research, but it should not be done at the plant level, states a report just published by the National Council for Research and Development. Local industries, even science-based enterprises, do not generally engage in research proper — nor should they, in the present stage of the country's economic development. They do not have enough laboratory equipment or resources to attract suitable staff. Neither do the Government-sponsored industrial research bodies, like the Fibres Institute or the Ceramics Institute. The kind of work done in these centres and in factory laboratories is mostly technical and engineering development.

The report will be discussed shortly by the Board of the NCRD. Dr. Eliezer Tal, head of the Council, confirmed to The Jerusalem Post yesterday that not enough funds are currently going to research in the Government's budget for all civilian research, other than agricultural and medical, comes to less than \$125m. a year. Almost half of this sum is handled by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, which matches industry's contribution "pound for pound." If the industrialists invested more, so would the Government, he pointed out.

Alitalia denies using Israeli security men

Jerusalem Post Reporter Alitalia employs no Israeli security guards — neither on the ground at Rome nor on board its flights — the director of the Italian airline's Israeli office said yesterday. His denial, and a similar one issued by Alitalia's main office in Rome, came in response to a local report that an Israeli was employed to check passengers before they left Rome for Tel Aviv.

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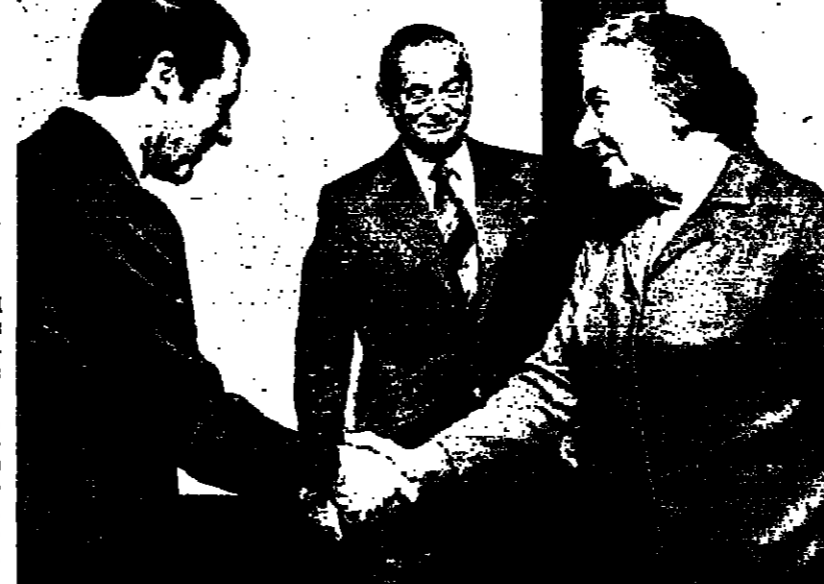
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Premier Meir greets Mr. John Bunting, Board Chairman of the First Pennsylvania Corporation of Philadelphia, in her office yesterday. Mr. Mark Moscovice, Board Chairman of the First International Bank of Israel, looks on.

Big U.S. bank: Came to Israel because it's a growth economy

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent Israel is a growth economy. It also benefits from an impressive inflow of human talents (constituting a brain-drain in reverse) — and we want to take part in this great adventure," Dr. John Bunting, Chairman of the First Pennsylvania Corporation, told pressmen in Jerusalem yesterday.

Dr. Bunting is a distinguished economist, who rose to be Vice-President of the Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia at the age of 37, before he entered First Pennsylvania. He was granted an Honorary Fellowship by the Hebrew University yesterday.

Price control system now under review

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev said in the Knesset yesterday his Ministry was studying ways of adjusting the present price control system to protect consumers' interests without inhibiting healthy development of industry.

Shikun Uptiuhk corporation charged thousands of pounds for totally unjustified items, and was forcing purchasers to sign open-ended contracts with no listed price. The Omudsmans had already gone into complaints on this score, he said.

He asked the House to strike off the agenda a motion by Mr. Shmuel Mikulins (Communist). It had charged the Minister with seeking to abolish all price controls.

Replanning Housing Minister Ze'ev Sharaf that the demonstrators were complaining about the prices of four-apartment cottages, each with four rooms and a patio. They would cost at least IL125,000 anywhere else, and IL80,000 was not an exaggerated price for Dimona, he said.

TEL AVIV STOCKS

Stock trading was very active yesterday and prices showed fair gains at the close. However, buyers were difficult in assessing the announcement of dividends and structural changes of the Discount group, which caused erratic price changes during the day. Turnover rose to IL5.4m. worth of shares, IL13.1m. in the variables.

Erratic changes in Discount prices

57,000 shares traded, a rise of 4 1/2 points after lingering between the 205 and 215 area. Elco dropped another 4 1/2 points to 103 after it became known that Discount Bank group divested its interest in this company. Paper Mills dropped 16 points again in sympathy with New York. Bank Leumi led the investment company section with a gain of 1 1/2 points to 251.5 and a turnover of 108,500.

Table with columns for stock names and prices, including DISCOUNTS, C.O.S. INDEX, and UTILITIES.

Foreign Exchange

Table showing exchange rates for Dollar, DM, Swiss Fr., French Fr., and others.

Egypt and Mart to sign trade agreement

CAIRO (Reuters). — A preferential trade agreement between Egypt and countries of the European Economic Community is expected to be signed in Brussels next month, it was announced here yesterday.

Stern group investing IL44.5m. in Pan-Lon

By SARAH HONIG Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The London-based Stern group is investing IL44.5m. in Pan-Lon, Israel's largest private construction firm. The company was taken over by the Stern group last summer, when it was short of working capital.

WALL STREET

Prices little changed

NEW YORK (AP). — The Stock Market continued edging sideways yesterday in moderately brisk trading which left prices little changed.

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DEMANDS FOR REVISION OF ECONOMIC TIES
France loses ground in Africa

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — President Georges Pompidou's visit to Upper Volta and Togo last week marks a turning point in the slackening ties between France and its former possessions in Africa.

trading arrangements between France and its possessions and between the colonies themselves. The C.F.A. franc is guaranteed by the Bank of France.

These arrangements have enabled France's African partners to draw on \$10 million in French economic aid. Their role of economic development rivals that of most of their continental neighbours.

THE FUTILE DEBATE

THE annual U.N. General Assembly debate on the Middle East which began in New York yesterday is again being used as an occasion for the Arab states to express their extremism on the international stage.

beyond the issues concerning the Middle East. For the fact is that few states expect serious problems to be resolved within the U.N. mechanism.

It is just the futility of these debates, that are nothing more than an invitation to rabid rhetoric, which has begun to impress itself on responsible states and thoughtful observers the world over.

Perhaps the most recent salient example is the question of air hijackings. On the face of it, this is an issue which should muster some kind of consensus from almost all states, interested as they must be in protecting international air travel.

But whereas in the past the Assembly session was at least used as an opportunity for behind-the-scenes discussions, usually at the level of foreign ministers, this year not even such contacts are in the offing.

As a result cooperation between states on hijacking is being pursued in entirely different forums, just as the solutions of other international problems, whether the Vietnam War or the Middle East conflict, are or will be reached outside of the U.N.'s walls.

The fulminating at the U.N. and the desire to exploit its stage merely for propaganda purposes must be one of the main causes for the decline of the international body's prestige and influence. This extends far

However, despite the fact that the issue was submitted to the General Assembly, not even those states who took the initiative in seeking U.N. action expect it. For once the matter is put through the grindstone of all the conflicting interests and narrow national calculations which come to bear on the Assembly, nothing useful or lasting remains.

This disparity between the U.N.'s appearance and reality is recognized in the chancelleries of the world, even those who deliberately exaggerate its importance when it serves their interest to do so.

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U.N. PARTITION PLAN

Yesterday, the 29 of November, was the 25th anniversary of the U.N. General Assembly's resolution to set up a Jewish state in part of Palestine, and a number of papers discussed the action in their editorial:

or will it make a serious effort to delve to the root of the issue?" She'arim (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) said only a vigorous, clear and decisive position adopted by Israel will influence many countries participating in the U.N. debates and serve to frustrate the schemes of the Arabs.

Davar (Histadrut): "History has provided conclusive proof of the wisdom of compromise displayed by the Yishuv in accepting the U.N. partition plan. Had it acted otherwise, it would have brought about the collapse of the foundation... of the state-in-the-making — and there lies a lesson for the present as well."

Hamas (National Religious), on the letter-bomb discovered on Tuesday in Chief Rabbi Goren's mailbox, said that the defamatory campaign launched recently by religious extremists has brought about such murderous hooliganism. Those responsible for such reckless incitement must know that they will have to bear the blame for the results unless they stop at once.

Omer (Histadrut) expressed the opinion that the partition resolution was the most important act in the history of the U.N. The paper remarks: "For all that our relations with the Arabs have remained unsettled since then, their influence in the U.N. has increased, and the world body's attitude towards us has deteriorated. We recall the partition resolution to the credit of the U.N."

Hamishmar (Mapam): "The U.N. of today is no longer the U.N. of 1947. Even so, the Assembly debate initiated by the Arabs will be a test for the world body's wisdom: Will it be led astray by extremist proposals leading nowhere

"It should be our biggest problem..."



Economic and political cooperation between France and French-speaking Africa was the inevitable theme of the president's tour. As soon as he arrived in Ougadougou, his first stop, Pompidou set the tone by announcing, "It was never our intention to pursue a policy of aid if it was not wished for."

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Readers' letters

JEWISH LAW AND LANSKY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I read with amazement Foreign Minister Abba Eban's three-point definition of what the people in the West Bank desire for their future as reported in your issue of November 24.

Eban's views on West Bank Arabs

been published by West Bank Arabs advocating this new trend. If anything, Mr. Eban's omission of this trend among workers and farmers, young intellectuals, newly elected mayors and other circles, indicates that his advisers stick too much to their desks and do too little mixing with the people themselves — not the so-called notables but the man in the street, in the factory and in the field.

Akim's sheltered workshop

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — As an American teacher and student of special education, who is interested in the growth and development of humanistic welfare and educational services in America and Israel, I was astonished to discover, in a recent visit to the Sheltered Working Workshop of Akim (Israel Association for the Rehabilitation of the Mentally Handicapped), at their Jerusalem school in Tel-Arza, Mshanyim, near Bar-Ilan Street, that there is, in the midst of this most advanced and beautifully healing world of special citizens, a surprising situation crying out for immediate attention.

DEAF-HEARING GROUP

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — The writer is a teacher of deaf children who hopes shortly to visit Israel. Would anyone who is (or could become) interested in deaf-hearing integration work with families get in touch with me at the Jerusalem Youth Hostel (Louise Waterman Wise), Rehov Hapizga? I hope to be in Jerusalem on December 7, 8 and 9.

COMPENSATION FOR AUSTRIAN JEWS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — In the name of the World Association of Austrian Jews on Compensation and many of its members, I wish to thank you for Ya'acov Ardon's article, "An unpaid debt" (November 10), which made a deep impression in the country.

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